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Welcome to winter! We knew it was going to happen anyway and it is, in its own way, reassuring that we can rely on the seasons.

**Happy Thanksgiving**

Speaking of seasons, Thanksgiving is almost here. We want to make it a little easier to shop and celebrate with friends and family so, at the Brown Bags this week, we’ll be handing out a $50 “BigY” gift card to all non-practitioner staff. I hope you can make it to the Brown Bag, but if you can’t, we’ll find you.

We are grateful for all you do for our patients and each other. Enjoy the holiday.

**Brown Bag Agenda This Week**

Baby Boomers, GenX, Traditionalists, Millennials….Did you realize we now have four generations working at VMG at the same time? I think this is the first time in our history that the workforce has spanned these generations here at VMG and, in general. Why is this important? We’re all shaped by our history and experience. And our history and experience prepares us in different ways to work and to relate to each other and to our patients.

We’ve had a group of people looking at how these experiences may affect our work and they would like to begin a discussion with us about how to recognize our strengths and contributions to our teams. Please come and join in the discussion.

We’ll also be discussing some early information on the new Medicaid programs and what you and our patients will need to know in 2018 about Medicaid and how its changing.

I hope to see you at the meetings this week.

Joel